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The South Coast Orchid Society meets on the fourth Monday of each month except holidays at the Whaley Park Clubhouse, 5620 East Atherton Street, Long Beach, California 90815 at 7:00 p.m.

www.southcoastorchidsociety.com

South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

January 2010

Board of Directors

Expires 2010	Marylyn Paulson
Expires 2010	Andy Tao
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John Reyes

Opportunity Table and Silent Auction

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Michelle Dobard	562-595-0920

Stories, articles and news items are welcome. The deadline is the 5th of the month.

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7:00 p.m.

A slide show of your 2009 orchids will begin the meeting.

Monday, January 25, 2009

“2009 Japan Grand Prix International Orchid Festival”

Speaker: **Peter T. Lin**

7:30 p.m.

Peter will be presenting a fast paced PowerPoint presentation on this foremost annual Orchid show held at the Tokyo Dome in Japan, which attracts over 300,000 visitors! With thousands of Orchids featured, there are show displays ranging from the very large displays to miniature dish gardens, to individual plants. Even the Vendor Sales area is like an Orchid show! One of the highlights of the show is the display of Asian Cymbidium species, featuring priceless Cymbidium goeringii varieties not seen in the US before. No need to travel....come and see a grand show from the comfort of your society's meeting room!

Peter started growing orchids over 25 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 7 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again. He is currently a probationary judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other Orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various Orchid shows and societies around the country. He also has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on Flickr. You can view them by typing this address into the internet:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/minicatt/collections/>

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, as well as in the house under fluorescent lights.

Peter will be providing the plants for this month's raffle table. There will be a nice selection of orchids, so be sure to buy your tickets!

Refreshments

Last names **A to H** please bring refreshments.
There is a special drawing for those who bring food!

Please Renew Your Membership for 2010—NOW

BE INCLUDED IN OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP ROSTER which will be distributed at our February Meeting.
YOU MUST HAVE PAID YOUR DUES BY JANUARY to be assured a copy.

Complete a membership renewal form at our next meeting or mail it to our Membership Secretary with your dues.

A return envelop is included in this newsletter if you have not yet renewed for 2010 and are getting your newsletter via the Post Office. Please complete the renewal form below and mail it to our Membership Chair.

Look for a separate renewal mailing via the Post Office in January if you get this newsletter via email!!!

South Coast Orchid Society 2010 Membership Renewal Form

Membership Secretary: SCOS / Mary Bell 3196 Lilly Ave, Long Beach, CA 90808
 562-430-4694 marykbell@earthlink.net

Please make checks payable to: **SCOS**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Date: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Circle Membership Type:

\$20 Renewing Member \$20 New Guest \$200 Lifetime Member

\$5 New Member Badge Order \$5.00 per person

Print only my name (s) in the Membership Directory

Has any of the information below changed since you joined or renewed your membership? _____

If YES or you are not sure, e.g., email address, please note current address below:

Email Address: _____ (Please print clearly)

Newsletter emailed unless otherwise requested. _____

Spouse / Partner or Other Information: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

1st Board Meeting for 2010 — Thursday January 21*, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Location: Mary Bell's Home (562-430-4694)
 3196 Lilly Ave., Beach, CA 90808

All current Officers and Board Members and newly elected Officers and Board Members should attend.

Please R.S.V.P. only if you **CANNOT** make this important meeting.

(*) Date changed from the 14th.

2009 December Potluck



January - February Checklist

prepared by Ned Nash and James Rose

Cattleya

Watering and fertilizing will be at a minimum, as will potting. Be on the lookout for senescing sheaths on your winter-into-spring bloomers. Careful removal of the dying sheaths will still allow buds to develop without the danger of condensation-induced rot. Low light will lead to weak spikes, so, and as noted above, staking is critical. If you have a chance to get out to nurseries, there may still be a chance to acquire good plants in sheath for spring bloom. Getting them now not only ensures that you'll have them, but allows them to acclimate to your conditions and bloom at their best.

Cymbidiums

We are well into the flowering season now. Outdoor growers should be cautious of freezing temperatures. Damage starts to occur below 30° F. Be diligent about tying the inflorescences for best arrangement of the flowers. Also watch closely for slugs and snails. If weather is quite wet, protect the plants from the rain and this will help to reduce the risk of botrytis spotting.

Lycaste

The most glorious of all orchids, Lycaste, will be moving toward their flowering season. Make sure the palm-like leaves do not interfere with the emerging inflorescences. Tying them loosely together often is helpful. Some growers cut the leaves off at the pseudobulb, but this removes part of the attractiveness of this elegant orchid. Resist picking up the plant to inspect those beautiful buds and then setting it down in all different directions as the flower buds will be forced to re-orient themselves to the light source each time and will not open as nicely as they should. Keep plants a little drier during the shorter days.

Odontoglossums

Odontoglossums and their intergeneric hybrids offer a great splash of color now. Though once thought of as being difficult to grow and requiring cool temperatures due to the emphasis on Odontoglossum breeding, the new intergeneric hybrids made using Oncidium and Brassia, for example, are just the opposite. These plants are quite content in more intermediate conditions. New growths generally emerge in the spring, later forming beautiful plump pseudobulbs. Look for the flower spikes to emerge from the inner sheath of the pseudobulb. If your plant's pseudobulbs are shriveled, then the plants have been kept too dry or too wet. Inspect the roots to determine which condition prevailed. If the lead pseudobulb is large, plump and green (and back bulbs are shriveled) but no flower spike is evident, the plants may have been kept too dry.

Paphiopedilum

The standard Paphiopedilum insigne-derived hybrids, which are called "bull dogs" and "toads," are at their peak. Unlike most other orchids, they can even be potted while in bud. There really is no wrong time to pot a Paphiopedilum, and no other orchid responds so favorably to fresh mix and a cleanup. Keep an eye on watering until roots begin to grow.

Phalaenopsis

Now is the peak of spike development, with the first plants in full flower. Staking and plant preparation is a must for those all-important spring shows. Correct staking now will give a better display and also make it much easier to transport to your society meetings and shows. Care with watering is vital to avoid mechanical damage to the flowers, as well as rot-related problems. Keep spent blooms cleaned up to avoid botrytis inoculation. Do not repot this month. Now you'll be seeing lots of phalaenopsis at orchid shows and sales.

Note: James and Lauris Rose own Cal-Orchids which supports our auction each year.

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Zygopetalum

For the most part, the flowering season will have ended for this group, providing the grower a chance to do some repotting. The plants will then have a chance to become well established before the hotter months of summer arrive. Most growers use bark mixes, but some exceptional results have been seen lately using rock-wool blends. You may want to try this mix, but do not change your whole collection over to this new media until you are sure it is right for you. First, experiment with a few plants to see how they respond.

SCOS Library

Checkout Procedure

Checkouts will occur at our monthly meetings. Make a request to Dennis Mackewicz by email or phone before the meeting. I will bring it to the next meeting, have you sign a checkout card with your current contact information and expect you or someone else to bring it back at the next monthly meeting. You can let me know if you want to make other arrangements. I will ask someone to substitute if I cannot make a meeting.

Take advantage of this service in 2010 by contacting Dennis Mackewicz: 562-430-0090 or dwmackewicz@yahoo.com

1. A History of the Orchid
2. American Orchid Culture
3. El Rancho Rinonada
4. Growing Orchids - The Specialist Orchids Grower
5. Growing Orchids at Your Windows
6. Japanese Flower Arrangement - Classical and Modern
7. Orchids - Care and Cultivation
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11. Orchids in Colour
12. OUT WEST - Growing Cymbidium Orchids and Other Flowers
13. Phalaenopsis Kingdom from Formosa
14. Popular Orchids
15. Quality Cattleyas in Colour
16. The Genus Cymbidium
17. The Genus Phalaenopsis
18. The Paphiopedilum Grower's Manual

UPCOMING EVENTS

Orchids at The Flower Fields

April 23 - 25, 2010

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate International Orchid Fair

July 9 - 11, 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

San Diego County Cymbidium Society Annual Orchid Auction

Saturday, February 6th
Preview at 11 a.m. Auction at 12 noon

Womans Club of Carlsbad
3320 Monroe Street
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Auction Chairperson: 760-732-0055; orchldy2@mac.com

Newport Harbor Orchid Society Oceans of Orchids Show & Sale

February 12-14th
Fri. 10 AM - 9 PM; Sat. 10 AM - 7 PM; Sun. 11 AM - 6 PM

1025 Westminster Mall
Westminster, CA

Info: <http://www.nhos.org/shows/2010/home.html>
or Denise Claycomb at 949-859-4238

South Bay Orchid Society Show

March 6-7th

Torrance Cultural Arts
Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr., Torrance, CA.
Contact Marla Corey: (310) 707-7097
marlacorey@sbcglobal.net

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show

Fri. March 12th - Sun. Marc 14th
9 AM - 5 PM

Earl Warren Showgrounds Exhibit Building
Highway 101 and Las Positas Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

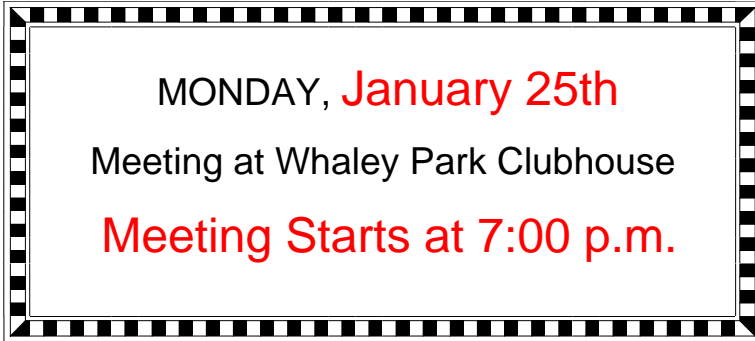
The San Diego County Orchid Society "A Rainbow of Orchids" show and sale

March 26 - 28, 2010
Fri. 4 pm - 8 pm; Sat. 9 am - 6 pm; Sun. 10 am - 4 pm

Scottish Rite Event Center
1895 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego CA
Info: www.sdorchids.com

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